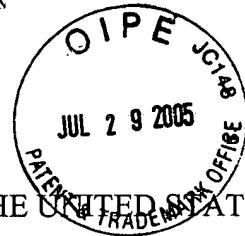


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Application No.: 09/379,729 ) Group Art Unit: 2672  
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SET OF CLOSED CURVES ) July 26, 2005

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Sir:

In response to the Notice of Allowability, mailed by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on April 26, 2005, and to the Statement of Reasons for Allowance attached thereto, Applicant wishes to clarify the record with respect to the basis for the allowability of the claims in the present application. In this regard, Applicant notes that the

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features identified by the Examiner may be more properly identified as providing a set of one or more closed first curves defining a boundary of a surface, wherein the set of one or more closed first curves contains no self-crossover points and an assembling step in which the computer assembles, without user intervention, the plurality of closed loops from curve intervals delimited by adjacent determined crossover points, from the set of one or more closed first curves. While Applicant does not disagree that these features are not disclosed by the references, Applicant submits that each of the claims in the present application recites a particular combination of features, and that the basis for allowability of each of these claims is based on the totality of the particular features recited therein.

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